

45 DIE IN N. Y. STORM

Virginia Grand Jury Takes Up Middleburg Feud

THROGS AT COURT AWAITING DECISION

Feeling Runs High Against Alleged Slaying of Produce Man.

LEESBURG, Va., June 12.—Charles, Lewis, Milton, and Alec Furr today awaited indictment by the grand jury in the courthouse here for murder in the first degree, in connection with the slaying of Irving Hatcher, Washington and Virginia produce merchant, in Middleburg, eight miles from Leesburg, on the night of April 15.

Attorneys concede indictment. Attorneys for the defendants held out no hope that their clients would be indicted on a lesser charge, and announced that they would seek acquittal for Charles and Alec Furr, the older men.

Milton Furr, who is said to have confessed to the crime, had for a time been held under bonds.

Feeling Runs High.

It is probable that a special term of court will be called next month for the trial. Feeling against the accused men is running high in Middleburg, although no violence is shown. Farmers and merchants from Middleburg and adjacent towns crowded into the courthouse today to hear the decision of the grand jury.

ADVERTISING CALLED BIG BUSINESS FACTOR

The greatest single factor in the present upbuilding of business and industry is advertising. Secretary of Commerce cover declared today in a message to the Milwaukee convention of the Associated Advertising Clubs of the World.

However stressed the prominent part played by advertising in commerce, the food administration during the war to bring its appeals to the American public.

Advertising, Hoover said, provides a medium for the education of the public. It brings the producer and consumer into closer contact, advances foreign trade, eliminates excessive waste and simplifies manufacturing and commercial practices.

DEATH TOLL FROM AUTO ACCIDENT IS NOW SIX

ATLANTIC CITY, N. J., June 12.—A death yesterday of two children marked the wiping out of a family of six from injuries suffered in an automobile accident at a new grade crossing unprotected by gates near Absecon.

The driver was John H. Stratton, a resident of this city; his wife, and three little ones, Dorothy, six, and Joseph, eighteen months, died today. The other children, Francis, nine, Carrie, eight, died on the way to the Atlantic City Hospital.

The automobile was hit by the Pennsylvania express of the Pennsylvania railroad.

FRANCE PREPARES REPLY TO BRITISH HAQUE NOTE

PARIS, June 12.—The foreign office today began preparing a reply to the British memorandum on the subject of the League of Nations, which rejected France's proposal to convene a conference at the Hague conference.

It is understood that the note will be delivered to the British embassy tonight or tomorrow. The French government has acted so far as to indicate that the French government will not be bound by the terms of the League of Nations.

Use Alcohol in Money.

NEW YORK, June 12.—Three negroes were in jail here today and other arrests are expected in connection with the murder yesterday of Harry Burleson, a street car conductor, who was fatally stabbed after ejecting a disorderly negro from his car.

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Haynes Draws Dry Net Tighter In First Year

By Universal Service.

One year of the Haynes brand of prohibition has made the country just twice as dry as it was last June. Convictions have more than doubled, withdrawals of liquor from bonded warehouses have been reduced by millions of gallons and fraudulent operations of the whiskey ring effectively checked.

This was revealed today in a summary prepared by Commissioner R. A. Haynes, covering the first year of his administration. It was sent to Commissioner of Internal Revenue Blair as an official report.

In addition to this the expenses of conducting the bureau were materially curtailed. A saving of \$156,900 was effected in the wages of warehouse agents and \$208,832 in rents and storage charges for confiscated liquor. Taxes were assessed in cases of violating internal revenue laws to the extent of \$17,102,224.

DOVER'S CASE TO BE PUT BEFORE HARDING TODAY

Disagreements in Revenue Bureau Will All Be Sifted, It Is Said.

The Blair-Dover controversy will be carried to the White House today, it is reported from the Treasury Department, where officials have been agog for weeks over the differences between the Commissioner of Internal Revenue and his chief, the assistant secretary in charge of revenues.

Secretary Dover has an appointment with President Harding at 10:45 o'clock this morning.

Hints of disagreement between the two Treasury officers were succeeded by certainties when, during the absence of Dover on a customs office inspection in the West, A. D. Sumner, chief of the accounts unit of the internal revenue bureau, and C. C. Childs, supervisor of collections, were removed from office and the units combined. This was followed by dismissals of several Sumner, Childs, and Dover appointees and the shifting of others to field service.

Upon his return to Washington last week, Dover reiterated the statement made by him when reports of the Sumner and Childs removals reached him.

"If there was anything personal in this I will be heard from." Evidently he has decided that the ousted men were actuated by some other motive than desire for economy and efficiency of administration.

President Harding is confronted by a most difficult problem as the result of this falling-out between Dover and Blair. Both men are his friends. Some officials have gone so far as to say that Blair's resignation from the service would mean that of Secretary Mellon.

PREMIER HARA'S SLAYER IMPRISONED FOR LIFE

TOKYO, June 12.—Nakaoka, youth convicted of slaying Premier Hara, was sentenced to life imprisonment today. Hashimoto, tried for inciting the assassination, was acquitted.

Getting Ahead In Business

No matter how good your business is, advertising will make it better.

The classified advertising columns of The Washington Times offer a profitable medium for the announcements of shops, beauty parlors and other enterprises catering to women.

Getting ahead is a matter of advertising. People must know who you are and where you are before they can do business with you.

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COMPERS ATTACKS SUPREME COURT

LETTER TO SENATOR TOUT, NEW WARD CLUE

Race Track Hanger-on Seized by Police—Got Note Same Day Peters Was Killed.

WHITE PLAINS, N. Y., June 12.—New evidence regarded as of paramount importance in the hunt for the real facts behind the killing of Clarence Peters, the sailor, by Walter S. Ward, young millionaire baker, has come in to the hands of the Westchester county authorities.

Hired Touts, Is Claim.

This evidence, a document indicating that for some time before Peters was slain Ward had hired racetrack touts and others to obtain information concerning a mysterious person whose identity is unknown to the officials, last night caused detectives to start out on a hot trail.

The question that arises in official circles now is: Was Ward obtaining information which could be used against the man he slew?

The fresh clue was found through the detention by the New Rochelle police of Elwood Heffner, a racetrack hanger-on. A letter written by Ward was found in his possession. The letter was dated May 16 and written on stationery of the Ward Baking Company. It was addressed to Alfred J. Blute, 3 Ray street, Jamaica, L. I., and had been postmarked at Station X, New York city at 6:30 p. m. May 16.

Ward according to his own story, killed Clarence Peters at 4 a. m. on May 16.

The powerful group of black-matters involved in the Ward mystery are making desperate efforts to obstruct the search for "Bill" Jackson and Charlie Rogers, the fugitive witnesses who are hidden somewhere in the Adirondacks, it was declared today.

In Underworld Retreat.

Information has reached the Westchester authorities that the super-blackmail bands have supplied almost unlimited funds to keep Jackson and Rogers from telling their stories to the officials. The latest information from the border county indicates that the fugitives are being harbored in an underworld retreat in Clinton county. This secret hiding place, according to information reaching White Plains, has been used at various times by fugitive smugglers and run-runners. Jackson and Rogers are not captured before the May Westchester grand jury completes its investigation of the slaying of Peters by Ward, they will probably be brought before another grand jury. In case Ward is indicted for murder in the first degree, as is being freely predicted at White Plains, the testimony of Rogers and Jackson may be used to secure a succeeding indictment.

25 Witnesses Summoned.

It was learned today that when the grand jury reconvenes tomorrow there will be about twenty-five witnesses under subpoena to testify. The most important testimony is expected from Ralph Ward, brother of the confessed slayer, who is expected to tell much of the alleged blackmail plot in which his brother was concerned that led to the killing of Peters. The story of blackmail told by Ward will either fall or stand on the testimony of his brother.

If Ralph Ward corroborates Walter's story in detail, the defense will score a great victory. He will be called upon to produce his bank books and canceled checks. The authorities are anxious to get these to ascertain the truth of the widely circulated stories that Walter borrowed large sums of money from Ralph to meet the demands of the black-matters and made frantic efforts to get further loans on the eve of the murder of Peters.

25-26 to LURAY, VA.
Tickets on sale Fridays and Saturdays
and returning following Monday, BAL-
TIMORE & OHIO R. R.—Ad.

SENATOR CHARGES NAVY PLOT

King Declares Newberry Is in Scheme to Wreck Mare Island Yard.

The expected attack on the navy appropriation bill was opened this afternoon by Senator King (Dem.) of Utah, in a formal statement in which he denounced the reduction by the Senate Appropriations Committee of the allotment for repairs at the Mare Island (California) navy yard from \$750,000 to \$250,000.

Others to Fight Reductions.

King announced his intention to fight for the restoration of the Mare Island appropriation to the 750,000 figure fixed by the House. It was understood he would be joined by a number of other Senators in support of his charge that there was a "scheme devised some time ago in the Navy Department and aided and abetted by some eminent persons in and out of Congress to wreck and destroy Mare Island."

King declared the bill would be "debated and considered to the fullest extent, even though the fiscal year ends (June 30) before it is passed," if an attempt were made to pass it in the form in which it was reported favorably by the Senate Appropriations Committee.

Newberry in Plot, Charge.

King also alleged that Senator Newberry (Rep.) of Michigan, a member of the Senate Naval Affairs Committee "gave the weight of his influence to the conspiracy to wreck and destroy Mare Island."

King statement was in part: "The Naval appropriation bill just reported to the Senate carries hundreds of millions of dollars and is particularly important at this time because it determines in a large measure the future naval policy of the United States. It should be thoroughly discussed, but the fact is, that few Senators are familiar with its provisions and have had no opportunity to study the testimony or consider the important, and in many instances complicated provisions of the bill."

WATER CONSERVATION PLANNED BY DISTRICT

Washington's water consumption is increasing daily and plans to conserve the supply are now being made at the District building.

J. S. Garland, superintendent of the water department, said today more than 45,000,000 gallons of water are being used daily in the District.

The highest amount consumed in one day this year was 47,000,000 gallons, surpassing all previous records. The capacity for the city's water system is said to be about 70,000,000 and water officials are fearful that the consumption may reach this limit unless some plan of conservation is put in force.

40-PAGE Automobile Tour Book AND VACATION GUIDE FREE WITH THE WASHINGTON TIMES NEXT SUNDAY

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Also replete with information on summer resorts, fishing territory, places to go by boat, rail and interurban, hints for campers, etc.

Five Minute Storm Brought Death In New York

By International News Service.

NEW YORK, June 12.—The storm that swept over the city in the Metropolitan area was described officially by the weather bureau as a "severe thunder squall lasting only five minutes."

The wind averaged 72 miles an hour from the northwest during the terrific blow. One gust, which undoubtedly caused the greatest damage and the largest loss of life and injury to many persons, reached 88 miles.

Shortly before the storm broke, at 5:55 o'clock, the wind was from the southwest, with a velocity of only about 10 miles an hour. Then there was complete calm for a few seconds and the storm burst in all its fury, the wind shifting and coming from the northwest.

FATHER DROWNS TRYING TO SAVE DAUGHTER

BALTIMORE, June 12.—Word reached here today of the drowning of a father and daughter in the Susquehanna river late yesterday, when Adolf Mainzer, forty years old, Baltimore business man, met death in an attempt to save his eight-year-old daughter, Adele Mainzer.

The child was sitting on a rock with her feet dangling in the water. She lost her balance and fell in. The father, watching his child, immediately plunged overboard and both were drowned before help could reach them.

Mrs. Mainzer, wife and mother, became almost crazed as a result of the accident. She was found wandering, dazed, on the beach some time afterward.

"MAJOR" DAVIS, CIRCUS DWARF, DIES AT 81

GRANVILLE, W. Va., June 12.—"Major" Louis Davis, retired circus dwarf, is dead at his home here, aged eighty-one. For more than fifty years "Major" Davis traveled with Barnum & Bailey's Ringling Brothers and Sells and Forepaugh's circuses as a side show attraction. He was thirty-seven inches in height.

A month ago "Major" Davis made all preparations for his death. Seeking the attending physician and undertaker, he chose the place where he desired to be buried and picked out the clothing in which he desired to be laid to rest, a beloved old "swallowtail" suit, a relic from circus days. He paid all funeral expenses in advance. Ten days ago he suffered a paralytic stroke, which resulted in his death.

AERIAL SLEEPING CARS DESIGNED IN ENGLAND

LONDON, June 12.—"Fly-by-night" will be more than a slang phrase if Maj. Gen. Sir W. S. Branker, civil aviation director for Great Britain, has his way.

General Branker is backing proposals for night flying routes between Paris and London. It is proposed to erect huge beacon lights on the ground along the route to enable the aviators to find their way from Paris to London.

Aerial "sleeping" cars are not altogether an impossibility.

45 DEAD IN STORM IN NEW YORK

Millions of Dollars' Damage Reported Throughout State. Other Sections Hit.

By International News Service.

NEW YORK, June 12.—New York today is horrified as each passing moment raises the death toll caused by the worst storm ever experienced in its history.

The known dead from drowning, the overturning of a giant ferris wheel in Coney Point Park, the uprooting of trees, the overturning of boats in Long Island Sound, and other accidents resulting from the storm are now forty-five.

A number of persons reported missing may bring the death total much higher.

Big Damage to Property.

The dead are listed as follows: Twenty-nine drowned. Seven killed in Ferris wheel crash. Six killed by uprooted trees. Two electrocuted by fallen live wires.

One died of heart failure trying to save family in rowboat.

Reports of property loss in New York and its immediate vicinity already total over \$1,000,000. Other parts of the State hit by the storm report additional losses, totaling \$1,500,000.

Gale Blew 100 Miles an Hour.

The furious 100-mile gale that unexpectedly swept New York and its vicinity about 5:30 yesterday afternoon wrought inconceivable havoc.

A giant ferris wheel in Coney Point Park was completely overturned, catapulting the people in it to the beach ten feet below its base, killing five and injuring twenty-two.

Trees standing as high as 100 feet were uprooted. A two-story house was torn loose from its foundation, live wires were torn down, and boats on the water were overturned, drowning many.

The beaches, parks, and all other places in and around New York were filled to overflowing with the storm burst. The humidity had been stifling all day, and crowds had gone to the shores and parks in an effort to catch a breath of fresh air.

Terrific Gale Unexpected.

The weather bureau had expected a slight rainfall, but the coming of the terrific gale was wholly unexpected. Until about 5:30 the weather continued inauspiciously stifling. At that hour, for a period of about ten minutes, before the gale broke in all its fury, an ominous silence came over the city. Not a breath of air stirred. Suddenly the gale broke loose, churning the waters furiously, and gaining strength with each passing moment.

On Long Island Sound, Pelham Bay, East Chester Bay, Coney Island, and all other resorts, rowboats and other water craft scurried for shore. Some made it but many were overturned and their occupants drowned.

Bodies of the drowned were washed ashore and the beaches are now being combed for the bodies of some of the missing.

An uprooted 100-foot linden tree in Mamaroneck killed a young woman and her daughter. Another wind-driven tree killed a mother and her infant at New Rochelle. Roads and streets were littered with live wires that caused the deaths of others.

In the northern part of the State damage done by the storm is placed at over \$2,000,000. Communication systems were crippled and railroad traffic interrupted. A New York express train was caught in a flooded tunnel near Syracuse and 200 passengers had to quit the train and take to boats.

Summer Resort Hard Hit.

NEWARK, Ohio, June 12.—Three negroes were known to be dead, thirteen others are seriously injured, and others are believed drowned in the storm.

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Peggy Joyce Working, She Says, To Build Some Theaters

LOS ANGELES, June 12.—"Heaven will protect the poor working girl, but not necessarily from suitors." Peggy Hopkins Joyce is a poor working girl now. She's going to build a theater or two, she says. Oliver Morosco is going to help her. Peggy, although she has been here only two days, has received a proposal of marriage. It came by mail.

"He's a real 'he' man," was all the "million-dollar doll" would say about the new "name." "I'm a real working girl now. No pictures or stage for me. I am looking for a site for the first of my new theaters."

LENIN IS SICK BUT PLANS TO HOLD HIS OFFICE

Attending Physicians Expect His Complete Recovery. Now Resting.

By GEORGES POPOFF
International News Service.

MOSCOW, June 12.—Reports circulated in Europe and America regarding the condition of Nicolai Lenin's health have been exaggerated, International News Service was informed today by a source close to the famous Bolshevik leader. The rumor that Lenin had been compelled to resign as president of the council of people's commissaries on account of his health was denied.

Though it is difficult to establish the exact condition of Lenin due to conflicting rumors that have been current here as well as in the outside world, the correspondent is reliably informed that the attending physicians expect Lenin's complete recovery.

It is authoritatively stated that Lenin has no intention of quitting office.

Lenin is resting at his country home outside of Moscow, where he is under the care of specialists and trained nurses.

The information that officials of the Moscow soviet refer grave state problems to Lenin is apparently a direct denial of the rumor that Lenin's mind has become affected.

Red Army Mobilized.

LONDON, June 12.—The red army has been mobilized at strategic points in Russia to meet any eventualities in case of the death of Nicolai Lenin, according to an Exchange Telegraph dispatch from Copenhagen today.

The same dispatch reported that Lenin had contracted blood poisoning, "that his condition is serious, and that his death is expected."

COMMUNISTS BREAK UP PARADE FOR HINDENBURG

KOENIGSBURG, June 12.—Five civilians lie in hospitals today seriously wounded and there is one corpse with a bayonet through the throat as a result of disorders which broke out on Sunday in connection with the East Prussian visit of Field Marshal von Hindenburg.

Communists flung stones and other missiles at a group of nationalists, then pierced the police lines and attacked parading troops.

FOUR HELD IN STABBING OF STREET CAR WORKER

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VERDICTS SAVOR OF DARK AGES, HIS CLAIM

Labor in Convention at Cincinnati Faces Gravest Problem in History.

By WARREN W. WHEATON.
CONVENTION HALL, CINCINNATI, Ohio, June 12.—Organized labor sent broadcast today an invitation to employers throughout the country to "stand around the table" and determine, for some reasonable time, an agreement covering all controversies on both sides of industry.

The invitation came from Samuel Gompers, president of the American Federation of Labor, who addressed the great assemblage constituting the personnel of the forty-second annual convention.

CINCINNATI, Ohio, June 12.—Facing the most difficult problems of its forty-two years of existence, the American Federation of Labor opened its annual convention here today, its leaders militantly determined to combat increasingly threatening inroads on organized labor.

Four hundred accredited representatives of the millions of workers affiliated with organized labor began in the Ohio national guard armory two weeks' deliberations from which labor leaders demand there must emerge a solidified organization able to cope with the asserted "grim struggle ahead."

Including in its personnel all shades of thought in the labor movement, the progressives stand pat, the reactionaries, and radicals, the convention got under way with a slight feeling of uncertainty manifest among the delegates as to whether harmony efforts of Samuel Gompers, labor head, will prevail.

Reputation of Gompers by the building trades department of the federation in its convention may lead to come dissemination creeping into convention deliberations, a few delegates freely predicted.

Delegates paraded from federation headquarters to the convention hall, where they were welcomed by local municipal and labor officials.

Gompers Presides.

President Gompers took over the duties of presiding officer, after Thomas J. Donnelly, secretary of the Ohio State Federation of Labor, had presented him with a gavel made by the carpenters of Cincinnati.

Gompers declared the convention to be the "parliament of labor engaged in the work of fighting the battles of mankind."

"The issues that have been heaped upon us in no way depress our spirits," he said. "Our movement is united, its spirit is unconquerable. There is throughout our ranks militant determination that justice for all the people must triumph."

"We are shocked by things that have happened. Twice within a few days the Supreme Court of our land has rendered decisions fitting only to the dark days of old. There is a boldness and brazen movement at work to destroy every progressive institution and to submerge human rights for the sake of profits and industrial autocrats."

To Recede Today.

The convention session will recess early today. Working committees will be appointed this afternoon and the real work of the meeting is expected to begin tomorrow.

Never before has the American labor movement entered a convention suffering from so many buffets of fate and the courts. Upon the actions and decisions made at this convention rest the fate of the American labor movement and the destiny of millions of American workmen and women, it is declared. At this convention the entire future history